

# MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

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## TWENTIETH ANNUAL MEETING.

GRAND HOTEL,  
CATSKILL MOUNTAINS, July 16, 1884.

THE Twentieth Annual Meeting of the Society was called to order at 10.20 A.M., by the Vice President, DR. W. F. NORRIS. After introductory remarks the following committees were appointed:

*Committee on Bulletin*—DRS. S. D. RISLEY and T. R. POOLEY.

*Auditing Committee*—DR. H. S. SCHELL.

*Committee on Membership*—DRS. JOHN GREEN, GEO. C. HARLAN, ARTHUR MATHEWSON, SAMUEL THEOBALD, J. J. B. VERMYNE.

The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

Permission to furnish an abstract of the proceedings to the Medical Journals was granted, such abstract to be submitted to the Secretary before printing.

The Auditing Committee reported that the accounts of the Treasurer were correct and properly vouched, and they were accepted.

Dr. Richard H. Derby offered his resignation as Recording Secretary and Treasurer. The resignation was accepted, and the thanks of the Society for his long continued services voted.

DR. O. F. WADSWORTH was elected Recording Secretary and Treasurer.

Drs. Sutphen and Parrott were invited to attend the meeting of the Society.

The Committee on Bulletin reported. The first paper was :

1. "Iridectomy in Chronic Iritis," by Dr. H. Derby. Discussed by Dr. Knapp.

2. "Three Cases of Restoration of the Eyelid by Transplantation of a Flap without a Pedicle," by Dr. C. S. Bull.

3. "A Successful Case of Skin Flap Transplantation without Pedicle to Lower Lid, after Removal of an Epithelioma," by Dr. B. E. Fryer.

4. "Case of Gangrene of Lids with Subsequent Restoration of Tissue without Plastic Operation," by Dr. R. H. Derby.

Discussed by Drs. Pooley, Prout, Harlan, Little, Howe, Andrews, Lippincott, Fryer, Green and Wadsworth.

5. "Case of Hysterical Monocular Blindness, with Violent Blepharospasm and Mydriasis," by Dr. Geo. C. Harlan.

6. "Neuro-Retinitis, with Almost Sudden Loss of Sight in both Eyes," by H. Knapp. Discussed by Drs. Kipp, Harlan, Pooley, Wadsworth and Alt.

7. "Hereditary Atrophy of the Optic Nerves," by Dr. W. F. Norris. Discussed by Drs. Howe and Kipp.

8. "Two Cases of Orbital Tumor," by Dr. W. F. Norris. Discussed by Dr. Knapp.

9. "Jequirity Ophthalmia," by Dr. J. A. Andrews. Discussed by Drs. Knapp, Theobald, Norris, Howe, Seely, Schell, Prout and Wadsworth.

The Society then adjourned to meet at 4 P.M. for a demonstration session.

The Meeting called to order at 4.20 P.M.

10. "Demonstration of Specimens of Sympathetic Ophthalmia in a Rabbit, Excited by Injections of Jequirity," by Dr. A. Alt. Discussed by Dr. Theobald.

11. Demonstration, by Dr. H. G. Miller, of a "New Perimeter," designed by Dr. E. Dyer. Discussed by Drs. Mittendorf and Green.

Adjourned to meet at 8 P.M.

The Meeting called to order at 8.30 P.M.

The order of Bulletin resumed.

12. "A Case of Embolism of the Retinal Artery," by Dr. H. S. Schell. Discussed by Dr. Norris.

13. "A Case Illustrating the Natural History of Cataract," by Dr. A. Mathewson. Discussed by Dr. Green.

14. "Experiences in Refractive Cases," by Dr. W. W. Seely. Discussed by Drs. Mittendorf, Little and Theobald.

15. "Clinical History of a Case of Sympathetic Ophthalmia," by Dr. L. Webster Fox.

16. "Two Cases of Orbital Abscess," by Dr. J. A. Lippincott. Discussed by Dr. Theobald.

17. "Cases of Disease of the Frontal Sinus," by Dr. C. J. Kipp.

18. "Changes in the Eye Immediately after Death," by Dr. L. Howe. Discussed by Drs. Norris and Mittendorf.

At 10 P.M. the Society went into executive session.

Dr. Green, for the Committee on Membership, recommended the following candidates for election: Dr. Myles Standish, Boston, Mass.; Dr. John Van Duyn, Syracuse, N. Y.; Dr. Stephen O. Richey, Washington, D. C. These gentlemen were elected.

After some discussion as to the place of meeting for the next year, during which the Pequot House, New London, the Kaaterskill House, Coney Island, Long Branch, and Long Beach were suggested, an informal ballot was taken which resulted in favor of New London.

The Society then adjourned to meet at 9.30 A.M., July 17th.

*July 17th.*

The Meeting was called to order at 10 A.M.

Dr. Green, for the Committee on Membership, proposed to amend the Constitution by adding to Article 3, "Candidates for membership shall have been engaged in the practice of Ophthalmic Surgery for at least five years, shall have given evidence of satisfactory scientific attainments, and shall have

conducted themselves in conformity with the ethical rules of this Society."

The Meeting adjourned for five minutes.

At 10.15 the Meeting was called to order again, and the reading of papers resumed.

19. "A Case of Glioma of the Retina," by Dr. Wm. S. Little. Discussed by Drs. Theobald, Mittendorf, Sutphen, Mathewson, Knapp and Howe.

20. "A Partial Report of the Progress of the Examination of the Color Sense of the Employees of the Pennsylvania Rail Road," by Dr. Wm. Thomson.

21. "Two Cases of Swelling of the Optic Nerve, possibly Congenital," by Dr. Geo. C. Harlan. Discussed by Drs. Risley, Mittendorf and Kipp.

22. "Two Cases in which Raehlmann's Hyperbolic Lenses improved Vision," by Dr. G. Hay.

23. "A Case of Myxoedema with Atrophy of the Optic Nerves," by Dr. O. F. Wadsworth. Discussed by Dr. Little.

24. "A Case of Acute Dacryo-Adenitis," by Dr. Thomas R. Pooley. Discussed by Drs. Kipp, Knapp, Mittendorf and Miller.

25. "Polycoria," by Dr. W. F. Mittendorf. Discussed by Dr. Seely.

26. "A Plastic Operation," by Dr. Edwin Hutchinson.

27. "Removal of Foreign Bodies from the Vitreous with the Electro-Magnet," by Dr. J. Aub. Discussed by Drs. Knapp, Mittendorf, Harlan, Hutchinson, Little, Green, Seely, Kipp and Wadsworth.

28. "A Case of Hypermetropic Astigmatism Passing into Myopic," by Dr. S. D. Risley. Discussed by Drs. Knapp, Hay, Theobald and Seely.

The Society went into executive session.

Dr. Green moved the passage of the proposed amendment to the Constitution. The amendment was carried.

Dr. Green, for the Committee on Membership, suggested

as place of meeting for the next year, the Berkeley Arms Hotel, Long Beach, or the Pequot House, New London, and moved to leave the selection of the place of meeting free in the hands of the Secretary. The motion was carried.

The Committee on Membership proposed the following list of officers, and they were elected by ballot :

*President*—Dr. WM. F. NORRIS.

*Vice-President*—Dr. H. DERBY.

*Recording Secretary and Treasurer*—Dr. O. F. WADSWORTH.

*Corresponding Secretary*—Dr. J. S. PROUT.

*Publishing Committee*—Drs. G. HAY and H. DERBY.

Adjourned.

Present at the twentieth annual meeting :

Dr. F. W. ABBOTT.

Dr. A. ALT.

Dr. J. A. ANDREWS.

Dr. JOSEPH AUB.

Dr. EDWIN W. BARTLETT.

Dr. RICHARD H. DERBY.

Dr. LEWIS S. DIXON.

Dr. B. E. FRYER.

Dr. JOHN GREEN.

Dr. GEORGE C. HARLAN.

Dr. GUSTAVUS HAY.

Dr. LUCIEN HOWE.

Dr. EDWIN HUTCHINSON.

Dr. SAMUEL J. JONES.

Dr. CHARLES J. KIPP.

Dr. H. KNAPP.

Dr. J. A. LIPPINCOTT.

Dr. W. S. LITTLE.

Dr. F. B. LORING.

Dr. ARTHUR MATHEWSON.

Dr. H. G. MILLER.

Dr. W. F. MITTENDORF.

Dr. WILLIAM F. NORRIS.

Dr. THOMAS R. POOLEY.

Dr. J. S. PROUT.

Dr. SAMUEL D. RISLEY.

Dr. H. S. SCHELL.

Dr. W. W. SEELY.

Dr. SAMUEL THEOBALD.

Dr. J. J. B. VERMYNE.

Dr. O. F. WADSWORTH.

Present by invitation :

Dr. T. Y. SUTPHEN ; Dr. PARROTT.

O. F. WADSWORTH, M.D.,

*Recording Secretary.*